

March 17, 2006

The Honorable Christine Gregoire
Governor, State of Washington
PO Box 4000
Olympia, WA 98504-0002

RE: AWC's Recommendation to the LEOFF 2 Board

Dear Governor Gregoire:

The Association of Washington Cities (AWC) recommends Greg Cuoio, Lacey City Manager, for appointment to the Law Enforcement Officers' and Firefighters' (LEOFF) Plan 2 Retirement Board.

Mr. Cuoio has nearly 33 years of service in local government management and has worked for Washington cities since 1978. He is keenly aware of the LEOFF 2 system and the associated responsibility of local government employers. He understands the value of fiscally sound management and the need to provide LEOFF 2 employees a quality pension plan.

Greg has been very active with AWC during his tenure in Washington including service on our Board of Directors. He was an extremely valuable asset to the Board and a pleasure to work with.

We are hopeful this recommendation will meet with your approval. Please feel free to contact me or Jim Justin of my staff at 753-4137 if you have any questions regarding this recommendation.

Sincerely,

Stan Finkelstein
Executive Director
Association of Washington Cities

Enclosures